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For:

In re the Application of

Donald R. OWEN et al.

Application No.: 09/537,180

Filed: March 29, 2000

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING AND/OR RESTORING VIABILITY OF

ORGANS

SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND

Group Art Unit: 1651

Docket No.: WPB 40219A

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Examiner:

TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired March 20, 2005, an extension of time for a period of TWO months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 166874 in the amount of \$225.00 in payment for:

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